STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FORM 55

A. General.

Form 55 is to be used in cases where foreign (other state) bank (the "Bank") which is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and does not maintain a branch office in California, appoints the Commissioner of Financial Institutions as its attorney for service of process in accordance with Section 3843(a) of the Financial Code.

B. Contents.

The blanks in Form 55 shall be completed as indicated in the Form.

C. Signature.

Form 55 shall be signed in the name of the Bank by an authorized officer of the Bank, and the signature of the Bank shall be acknowledged. (For acknowledgement requirements, see Article 3 (commencing with Section 1180), Chapter 4, Title 4, Part 4, Division 2 of the Civil Code. An appropriate certificate of acknowledgement shall be endorsed on our attached to Form 55.)

This is a sample format the appointment of the Commissioner as agent for service of process of a foreign (other nation) bank licensed to open and maintain a representative, agency, or branch office as required by Financial Code Section 3843(a). This sample is provided only as an illustration of the format of an application. Refer to the requirements of Financial Code Sections 3843(a).